IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Mitsuo OSHIMURA et al.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed on April 2, 2008. Applicants concurrently have filed a Petition for Extension of Time, with the appropriate fee payment, to make this response timely. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required under 37 CFR §§ 1.16-1.17, and to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this document.